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In re Application of: DEAN, et al. )  
Application No. 09/394,302 ) *SUA SPONTE*  
Attorney Docket No. BU9-98-062 ) WITHDRAWAL OF HOLDING OF  
Filed: September 10, 1999 ) ABANDONMENT *under 37 CFR § 1.181*  
For: TEST SYSTEM FOR INTEGRATED )  
CIRCUITS )

A review of the application reveals that a Notice of Abandonment was mailed to the Applicant on March 16, 2005. The notice incorrectly indicated that the instant application was being held abandoned for failure to respond to the Decision on Appeal mailed on December 21, 2004. Applicant timely filed a Request for Continued Examination on January 19, 2005 that had been overlooked. The Request for Continued Examination transmittal, amendment and remarks are currently located in the file.

In view of these facts, the abandonment of the application was clearly in error and is hereby **VACATED**. The Office regrets any inconvenience this may have caused.

The application is being forwarded to the Supervisory Legal Instruments Examiner with instructions to **WITHDRAW** the holding of abandonment and to **ENTER** the Request for Continued Examination, amendment and remarks filed January 19, 2005. The application will then be forwarded to the Examiner of record for prompt action on the merits.

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